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## KITCHENER IS BACK IN LONDON

RETURNED TO BRITISH CAPITAL YESTERDAY AFTER VISIT TO BALKANS, ITALY AND PARIS.

## CONFERENCE IN LONDON

Field Marshal Sir John French Visited London Yesterday for Conference With Premier Asquith — Rumored That Joffre May Command.

London, Nov. 30.—The visit of Marshal Sir John French to London yesterday for a conference with Premier Asquith became known today and has caused talk that General Joffre may be placed in supreme command of the allies in the west.

This has, however, been denied officially. This was French's first visit to London since January.

The return of Field Marshal Earl Kitchener from his trip to the Balkans was announced today.

The Germans announce the capture of Pristina, in western Serbia, near Albania.

The German positions on the Belgian coast from Zeebrugge to Ostend were today bombarded for two hours by the British squadron, says a dispatch from Amsterdam.

Roumania is reported to have notified that she would remain neutral and that the Russian warships cannot enter the Danube river which is heavily mined.

### British Casualty List.

London, Nov. 30.—The British casualty list for November, showing more than forty-six thousand, brings the total since the war began to six hundred thousand killed, wounded and missing.

### British Steamer Sunk.

London, Nov. 30.—The British steamer Drottler has been sunk, supposedly by a submarine.

### British Driven Back.

London, Nov. 30.—The British victory over the Turks at Ctesiphon, sixteen miles from Baghdad, as reported last week, has not, as many persons believed, sealed the fate of Baghdad. An official report issued last night says that, having successfully completed the removal of his wounded and prisoners, General Townshend, the British commander, in the face of the arrival of Turkish reinforcements again has withdrawn his force to a position lower down the Tigris river.

While this will prove a disappointment to the uninitiated, those who know the country through which the British have forced their way are not surprised that every precaution is being taken to prevent a reverse or even a check in the march upon Mesopotamia. At this time of the year it is necessary that the army should keep near the river, where there is a plentiful supply of water.

It is expected that General Townshend is receiving reinforcements which will enable him shortly to resume his advance on Baghdad. As the season advances his progress is expected to become less difficult.

The special announcement tonight says:

"The enemy's strength at the battle of Ctesiphon is estimated at four divisions. One of these is stated by prisoners to have been practically wiped out. This is confirmed by our own observations, but the approach of Turkish reinforcements is reported."

"General Townshend, having successfully completed the removal of his wounded and prisoners, has withdrawn his force to a position lower down the river."

### WEATHER FORECAST

New Orleans, La., Nov. 30.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight is fair and warmer; Wednesday fair and colder in the western portion.

## BORDER LEADER IS DENIED BAIL

RAMON PIZANA, BROTHER OF SUPPOSED BORDER BANDIT, IS HELD TO GRAND JURY.

## FIRST CASE HEARD

Habeas Corpus Proceedings Made in Behalf of Pizana, who is the First of Twenty Defendants to be Tried. Accused of Participation in Battle.

Brownsville, Tex., Nov. 30.—Ramon Pizana, brother of the supposed leader of border bandits, Aniceto, Pizana, was held without bail for action by the grand jury, by the justice of the peace.

This is the first of twenty cases to be heard. Habeas corpus proceedings were begun in behalf of Pizana. It is charged that he participated in the Los Tuleos ranch fight, the first of the series of border raids.

### Received Mexican Teachers.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—President Wilson today received a group of Mexican school teachers sent here by Carranza to study the American school systems.

## CARTER CO. ODD FELLOWS IN SESSION

HON. J. B. A. ROBERTSON WIRES THAT HE CAN NOT ARRIVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CEREMONIES.

Oddfellows from all over the state are in session here today attending the Carter County Oddfellows Association. A telegram was received from Hon. J. B. A. Robertson, Grand Sire, stating that it would be impossible for him to be present.

James R. Tallaferra of Lone Grove, acted as chairman at the meeting at the Elks Club this afternoon, and E. E. Norvell, Grand Master of the state, delivered an address on the principles of the order.

Past Grand Master I. R. Mason, of this city, and E. L. Gregory, Past Grand Master of Tennessee, made addresses.

A musical program was rendered by Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Howes that was greatly appreciated by all.

Hon. I. R. Mason delivered the welcome address. Many more Oddfellows are expected to arrive tonight.

### NEW YORK POLICE CENSUS

Police Census Gives New York Five and Quarter Million Population  
New York, Nov. 30.—The police census of the city announced today gives the city a population of five million two hundred fifty-four thousand.

### GERMAN NOT SHOT

Commander of Navy Yard Denies the Shooting of Prisoner.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 30.—Admiral McLean, commanding the Norfolk navy yard, today denied that the German who was captured after his escape from the interned cruiser, Kron Prinz Wilhelm, had been shot by order of Captain Thierfelder of that ship. The man is being closely confined only.

### KILLED IN EXPLOSION

Wilmington, Del., Nov. 30.—Several persons are reported to have been killed and wounded today in an explosion in the DuPont powder plant near here.

### NOTICE TO MERCHANTS

All merchants participating in the Big Bargain Sales Day, Dec. 15th, are requested to be at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, promptly at 7:30 tonight, when the advertising for the day will be decided upon.

All merchants who for some reason have not been seen by the committee, and who will participate, will also please attend. The cost to each merchant will be nominal—just a few cents. Every merchant in the city should enter the plan which will bring thousands of shoppers to Ardmore.

## MAYOR MULLEN CONSIDERING WHITE WAY

HAS MADE QUIET CANVASS AND HAS SECURED ASSURANCES OF ASSISTANCE FROM THE BUSINESS MEN.

The mayor has been making a quiet canvass of the business men and property owners along Main street and the result of his research is most gratifying, inasmuch as nearly every one approached is in favor of the movement, and not only in favor of it but are willing to help push it along by contributing toward it.

Twelve men yesterday agreed to furnish the necessary lamps and posts for this purpose, and the way will probably extend from the Santa Fe tracks to C street, which will add greatly to the appearance of the city.

The Ardmore Ice Light & Power company has assured the mayor that their company will co-operate with him in this movement, and if it is successful, will be a great improvement over the present system of lighting.

## MORE MONEY FOR CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR

PROSPERITY REPORTED FROM ALL SECTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES — INDICATES MORE CHRISTMAS MONEY.

New York, Nov. 30.—More money for Christmas than for years is the summing up of business conditions here, and similar prosperity appears in every section of the United States, according to sectional reports gathered today from the important business centers of the country.

### Asquith's Daughter Weds.

London, Nov. 30.—Violet Asquith, the premier's daughter, and Maurice Bonham Carter, the premier's secretary, were married here today.

## DELIVERED BIG CHECK HERE THIS MORNING

MRS. FRANK SCIVALLY HANDED SLIP OF PAPER CALLING FOR TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS THIS MORNING.

Hal Muldrow and Sol Lewis, state agents of the Minnesota Mutual Life Insurance company, were here today to deliver a check for ten thousand dollars to Mrs. Frank Scivally, whose husband died in this city recently. Five days after the proof of death was submitted, the check for the above amount was on its way to the widow.

Mr. Lewis and Mr. Muldrow are well and favorably known all over the state. Hal Muldrow is past grand master of the Masons of this domain, and Mr. Lewis also ranks very high in the order. They are both big-hearted fellows who never lose an opportunity to do a good turn for a fellow being, and if they are eminently successful in their business undertakings, it is no more than men of their calibre deserve.

## TO SUPERVISE FINANCES OF HAITIENS

NEW TREATY GIVES THE UNITED STATES SUPERVISION OF FINANCES AND HAS ALREADY BEEN PUT IN EFFECT.

Washington, Nov. 30.—The new Haitian treaty, giving the United States supervision of the Haitian finances, has already been put into effect, despite the fact that the senate has never had an opportunity to ratify the agreement. Arrangements have been made between the two countries for the operation of the treaty under a "modus vivendi."

November was the banner month of the year in so far as issuing marriage licenses was concerned. 48 have been issued up to last night.

## TO ADVERTISERS

On and after Wednesday, December 1, the following rules will be in effect:

Copy for display ads. to be run in the Daily, on week days, will be accepted until 11 a. m., the day ad. is to be run.

Copy for display ads. to be run in the Sunday issue will be accepted until 1 p. m., on preceding Saturday.

In order to accommodate advertisers, space may be reserved, at the hours stipulated, and copy will be accepted until 1 p. m., week days, and 3 p. m., on Saturday. Regular charge being made for space reserved, if copy is not received at these hours.

THERE WILL BE NO DEVIATION FROM THESE RULES.

THE ARDMOREITE PUB. CO.,

By V. C. Suggs, Business Manager.

## STUDEBAKER DISCOVERED ARDMORE

BIG MANUFACTURING CONCERN HAS SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST IN THE LOCAL NATURAL GAS PLANT.

John Ringling discovered Ardmore one day, and a new railroad, a handsome new depot building, and general headquarters for a railway company have come to Ardmore as a result of that discovery.

Kress and Woolworth discovered Ardmore, and carpenters and brick masons will soon be at work constructing mammoth buildings for these stores, and Ardmore will be made a great shopping center for the southern portion of the state as a result of that discovery.

The most recent good thing to happen for this city is the fact that we have been discovered by the Studebakers of South Bend, Ind.—George and Clem Studebaker, the men who build wagons and buggies and automobiles, and who have built up a company whose common stock sells for \$240.—have made substantial purchases in one of the enterprises of this city.

There is no way to measure just at this time what that may mean to Ardmore.

In the sale of the stock of the Ardmore City Gas company, it passed, or will pass into the hands of a company in which the Studebakers are interested. These people have a kindly interest in Ardmore, as their favorite niece, Mrs. Kennett Hudson, resides in this city.

O. J. McLane, president of the Ardmore City Gas company of St. Louis and J. S. Connelly, a stockholder of the company, of Port Arthur, Texas, are here and will remain a day or two in arranging the details of the sale, so that the stock can be transferred.

William A. Baehr of Chicago, of international reputation, organized the company which made the purchase here. He was chief engineer for the Laclede Gas Light company of St. Louis and went from there to Chicago a few years ago. There he opened an office as consulting engineer for the Peoples Gas Light and Power company of that city. He then organized the North American Light & Power company, which company has acquired a number of electric and artificial gas plants. This is the company which purchased the plant here, and it is their first venture in the natural gas business. The company is negotiating for the purchase of other plants in Oklahoma and has come to remain permanently in the natural gas belt of this state.

This company will operate here under the charter which has already been taken out. It has plenty of capital stock to make all necessary extensions, and to give Ardmore a perfect gas service. The gas business frequently requires extensions of lines to new fields, and this company has the funds with which to make these extensions. It is only a matter of a short time when a larger line will have to be laid to the gas area, as the present line is a 6-inch, and the time is near at hand when it will be inadequate to supply the needs of the city. It will also be necessary, some of these days, to reach out to the Loco or the Fox field for gas, and this company has plenty of funds to make these extensions.

In southern Oklahoma there are several counties that are either in the gas belt or in a prospective gas area. They are Kiowa, Comanche, Stephens, Jefferson, Carter, Love and Marshall, a tier of counties lying from northwest to southeast through a very rich portion of the southern portion of the state, where some good towns and cities can be built.

Inasmuch as the company deals in electric plants as well as in gas plants, it is not improbable that it will take over the street railway, when it sells in January.

### With the Sick.

Mrs. Fount Dutton who has been quite sick for several days, is reported to be making no improvement at this time.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS GETTING BUSY

SMOKER LAST NIGHT BROUGHT OUT GOOD ATTENDANCE AND SOME REAL WORK WAS DONE IN INTERESTING SESSION.

The first real, rousing meeting that has been held by the Chamber of Commerce in several months was that of last night, when about fifty of the representative business men of the city met for the purpose of discussing matters of vital importance to the city.

The crowd was augmented, no doubt, by the advertisement that there would be free smokes, but ones assembled they got down to business and more real good was accomplished at last night's meeting than at any previous gathering in a long time.

The meeting was called to order at eight o'clock by the vice-president, Judge Harrell, in the absence of President Mullen, and, after scoring the late arrivals for their dilatory tactics in always arriving late to any meeting called for any purpose, stated the object of the meeting, and called for reports of committees.

Judge Harrell stated that if Ardmore failed to grasp the opportunities now before it, there would be none but the citizenship of the city to blame. With nearly a million dollars of Santa Fe money distributed within the past two months, and with bumper crops at good prices, and the farmers, as a rule, out of debt, he admonished the business men of the city to wake up and do something for themselves and the city.

The first report was that of the committee appointed recently to investigate the legality of voting bonds for the construction of a municipal gas pipe line from here to the Healdton field. This committee, consisting of O. C. Lasher, Judge Harrell and W. B. Johnson, reported that there was absolutely nothing in the way of this proposition from a legal standpoint, and a letter was read from the city attorney of Muskogee, setting forth the facts employed in voting \$350,000 in bonds for a similar purpose in that city. It was suggested that if a private corporation could be induced to build this line, that Ardmore was not anxious to go into the gas business, but would do so in the event a private corporation would not consider the proposition.

A committee, consisting of Colonel Suggs and Russell Brown, was appointed to call on Mr. Ekern, the manager of the new gas company in the city, and invite him to come over and discuss the matter with the business men present. Mr. Ekern stated after his arrival that the new company is amply able financially to keep abreast of the needs and demands of the city, in the matter of supplying gas for domestic and commercial purposes, and it was decided that he confer with his company and ascertain if it were willing to construct a line of sufficient capacity to furnish gas to Ardmore for these purposes, assuring him at the same time that if the company did not do so, the city would issue bonds and build the line, in competition with the present company. Mr. Ekern will report back at the next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce the result of his investigation.

A committee of three to be appointed by the chairman today, was

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Holiday Shopping Plans  
EARLY  
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Before Christmas